PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1277: QUESTIONS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS
(See ‘Written submissions’ for responses)

TUESDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2010—

Scottish Government—
• What detailed actions will you take, once the joint study by British Geological Survey and Scottish National Heritage to establish the evidence base for a geodiversity framework for Scotland is completed, that will directly address all the issues raised in the petition?
• Will you act upon the recommendation made in the British Geological Survey’s submission (PE1277/D) that “all Scottish site investigation records should be legally required to be deposited with the BGS to ensure their preservation for the long-term public good, as currently happens in Northern Ireland”. If not, why not?
• Do you agree with the benefits of having a geodiversity duty as identified by Scottish Natural Heritage (PE1277/C) and how are these benefits being realised?

TUESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2010—

Scottish Government—
• What detailed actions will it take, in light of the joint study by British Geological Survey and Scottish National Heritage to establish the evidence base for a geodiversity framework for Scotland, that will directly address all the issues raised in the petition?
• Will it act upon the recommendation made in the British Geological Survey’s submission (PE1277/D) that “all Scottish site investigation records should be legally required to be deposited with the BGS to ensure their preservation for the long-term public good, as currently happens in Northern Ireland”. If not, why not?
• Does it agree with the benefits of having a geodiversity duty as identified by Scottish Natural Heritage (PE1277/C) and how are these benefits being realised?